April 1, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

Elyria City Council

### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of Elyria City Council was called to order on April 1, 2024 at 7:01 p.m. by President Stewart. President Stewart opened the meeting requesting a moment of reflective silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council member Schneider.

### 2. ROLL CALL: COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESENT: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

EXCUSED ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

Cerra moved, Mitchell seconded to approve the excused absences

MOTION CARRIED

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Brubaker, SSD Pyanowski, Fin. Dir. Pileski, Law Director Deery, Captain Welsh, Fire Chief Pronesti, Eng. Schneider, CDM Almobayyed

### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Cerra moved, Schneider seconded to approve minutes of the February 20, 2024 council meeting.

### 5. REMARKS AND REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS:

### Mayor Brubaker:

Mayor Brubaker shared a report for Community Development Director Scott in her absence. The Spruce Up Elyria Program is accepting applications effective April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Applications can be picked up in the office of Community Development or on the city of Elyria website. Two hundred fifty, thousand dollars had been budgeted for the Spruce Up Elyria Program for 2024. Mayor Brubaker stated the funding will be absorbed rather quickly. The top six winners of the first annual Easter egg coloring contest have been announced on the city social media Facebook page. The page is receiving heavy traffic, all are invited to visit the social media page and check out the winners. The participation and engagement were great with plenty of expressed excitement. Mayor Brubaker shared information regarding a referral submitted to council regarding the split door area in the foyer on the first floor of city hall to be used as a pop-up business incubator for ninety days beginning on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Brubaker invited council members and elected officials to join him along with department heads on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> at Lorain County Community College, room 114 for a special speaker to address Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness. Mayor Brubaker also reminded council members of the State of the City/ Schools at Lorain County Community College on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

Safety Service Director: No report

Finance Director: No report

Minutes	Approved
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### 5. REMARKS AND REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS:

### Law Director Deery:

Law Director Deery provided information on the matters pertaining to bonds that will be addressed later in the meeting that will come before council for suspension and passage and waiver of the reading of the fiscal officer certificates. Specifically, items, 11, 12 and 13 on the council agenda.

### EPD:

Captain Welsh provided an update regarding staffing: currently there are 82 sworn officers, 72 active. Some are on injury or medical leave and the other in training capacity. New Officer Jeff Tragalante was sworn in the morning of April 1<sup>st</sup>. Backgrounds on lateral transfers are in process and interviews should be conducted over the next couple of weeks. EPD is reviewing an entry level listing with approximately forty potential applicants. The budget was recently approved. New equipment and vehicles will be ordered as well as lethal tools and remaining budget dollars will send officers to various crime prevention and de-escalation trainings. EPD was approved for he 2025 Step grant which is selective traffic enforcement and impaired driving accountability programs to target the reduction of impaired driving accidents. EPD has experienced an 11% decrease in traffic crashes from January 2023 through the first quarter of April 2023 to 2024 and the traffic citation has increased by 62%.

In closing Captain Welsh requested permission for Detective Stephen Robinson to have approval of a training opportunity that extends over the 500- mile travel radius. The training is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> through April 26<sup>th</sup> in Louisiana. The training is a crime analyst data driven crime prevention training.

Moved by Cerra, seconded by Lipian to approve Captain Robinson's training. MOTION CARRIED

Council member Oswald expressed his appreciation for the reports regarding speed signs. Council member Cerra inquired if the new hire will need training or immediately go on the road due to his re-hire status. Captain Welsh explained some mandatory state training will be required as well as human resource documentation, his filed training will be an abbreviated version. Council member Lipian inquired regarding the increase in applications since the pay increase was approved. Captain Welsh responded that he did not have exact numbers, however was aware that the increase was a decision maker in some officers returning.

**EFD**: No report

### **Engineer Schneider:**

Engineer Schneider provided a traffic control update. The East Broad Street project was scheduled for shut down, however was postponed until Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup>, due to the weather and the eclipse event. Residents are asked to pay attention the ever -changing signs at Poplar Street. East River from East Bridge to Ridge Street is closed due to the water main. Gulf Road is open, one way into town. Asphalt should go down in a couple of weeks in the Poplar, Dilworth,

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### 5. REMARKS AND REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Harwood area. Council member Cerra asked about the direction of the watermain on East Bridge St. Council member Mitchell inquired about the finalization of the street rankings.

**CDM Almobayyed:** No Report

### 6. PRESIDENT'S REFERRAL'S:

1. The matter of declaring the attached list of kronos time clocks as no longer fit for municipal use, be disposed by best means allowed by law.

**REFERRED BY: IT DIRECTOR ROTHGERY** 

**REFERRED TO: FINANCE** 

2. The matter of a purchasing 5 police vehicles in the amount of \$241,670.00 from Statewide Ford.

**REFERRED BY: POLICE CHIEF PELKO** 

**REFERRED TO:** FINANCE

3. The matter of amending the purchase price of the approved Sutphen pumper for the fire department: Additional \$30,437.00 (\$980,437.00).

**REFERRED BY: FIRE CHIEF PRONESTI** 

**REFERRED TO: FINANCE** 

**4.** The matter of authorizing the Finance Director to create a new special revenue fund named EPD Equitable Sharing.

REFERRED BY: ASST. FIN. DIRECTOR FARRELL

**REFERRED TO: FINANCE** 

**5.** The matter of authorizing the Finance Director to transfer \$94,680.41 in equitable sharing funds from the Law Enforcement fund to the newly created EPD Equitable Sharing Fund.

REFERRED BY: ASST. FIN. DIRECTOR FARRELL

**REFERRED TO: FINANCE** 

6. The matter of use of foyer space for pop up business (for discussion only).

REFERRED BY: MAYOR BRUBAKER

**REFERRED TO: FINANCE** 

7. The matter of an amendment of the existing water purchase agreement.

**REFERRED BY: WTL JACOB** 

**REFERRED TO:** FINANCE/ UTILITIES

8. The matter of authorization to bid and enter into contract for a Tree Bid.

**REFERRED BY**: SSD PYANOWSKI **REFERRED TO**: FINANCE/ UTILITIES

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### 6. PRESIDENT'S REFERRAL'S: Continued

9. The matter of authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bid and enter into a contract for paving projects at various parks.

REFERRED BY: P & R DIR. REARDON

**REFERRED TO: UTILITIES** 

10. The matter of authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bid and enter into a contract for the development of 1504 West Ave. Pocket Park.

REFERRED BY: P & R DIR. REARDON

**REFERRED TO: UTILITIES** 

11. The matter of authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bid and enter into contract for the North Park Ice Arena, 901 Duffey St.

REFERRED BY: P & R DIR. REARDON

**REFERRED TO: UTILITIES** 

12. The matter of authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bid and enter into contract for South Park, 101 S. Park Drive, baseball field.

REFERRED BY: P & R DIR. REARDON

**REFERRED TO: UTILITIES** 

### 13-17 - Received and Placed on file in the clerk's office:

- 13. January 2024 General Fund Cash Balance Report
- 14. February 2024 General Fund Cash Balance Report
- 15. January 2024 Income Tax Report
- 16. February Income Tax Report
- 17. March Income Tax Report

### 7. PETITIONS-LOBBY:

- 1. Laura Irvine-221 Elm Street, Oberlin, OH- Moms Demand Action: Wear Orange- Gun Violence Awareness week
- 2. Lori Flanigan 646 Bell Ave., Elyria OH- Survivors Network of Lorain County

### 8. PETITIONS-COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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### 9. REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Sponsored by:

**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2024-2** 

Community

WE HAVE CONSIDERED THE MATTER OF A LIQUOR

Development:

LICENSE TRANSFER FROM STRONGSVILLE CONVENIENCE,

T. Callahan

INC. TO JK EAST RIVER, INC. DBA: EAST RIVER

A. Lipian

C. Schneider

CONVENIENT, 905 EAST RIVER ST.

D. Mitchell

K. Oswald

Callahan moved, Mitchell seconded this committee report be passed on its first reading, under suspension of rules, and the city of Elyria does not request a hearing.

**PASSAGE** 

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

**MOTION CARRIED** 

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### 10. RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING:

Sponsored by:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-12** 

Community

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REPORT OF THE ELYRIA

Development:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

T. Callahan

A. Lipian

C. Schneider

D. Mitchell

K. Oswald

Finance:

P. Tollett

B. Davis

C. Schneider

J. Cerra

Callahan moved, Schneider seconded to pass this resolution on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

**SUSPENSION** 

PASSAGE

AYE:

9

AYE:

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 2

0 NAY:

9

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

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### 10. RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING: Continued

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-13** Sponsored by:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LIST OF PROPERTIES FOR Finance: P. Tollett THE COLLECTION OF EMERGENCY TEMPORARY REPAIR B. Davis COSTS AND DIRECTING THE CLERK OF COUNCIL TO C. Schneider CERTIFY SAID COSTS TO THE LORAIN COUNTY AUDITOR. J. Cerra

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this resolution on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

**SUSPENSION PASSAGE** AYE: AYE: 0 NAY: 0 NAY: ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED **MOTION CARRIED** 

### 11. RESOLUTIONS--SECOND READING: None

### 12. RESOLUTIONS-THIRD READING: None

### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS:

Sponsored by: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-48** 

Community AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE

Development: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOME REPAIR

T. Callahan LIEN AGAINST REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 443

A. Lipian

METCALF ROAD, ELYRIA, OHIO. C. Schneider

D. Mitchell K. Oswald Finance: P. Tollett

C. Schneider

J. Сегга

Callahan moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

**SUSPENSION PASSAGE** AYE: 8 AYE: 8

NAY: NAY: 1 (Davis) 1 (Davis)

ABSENT: 2 ABSENT:

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

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### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS: Continued

Sponsored by: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024- 49** 

Finance: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN P. Tollett APPLICATION FOR, AND ACCEPT, IF OFFERED, THE 2023 B. Davis PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS GRANT SPONSORED BY C. Schneider THE NORTHERN OHIO VIOLENT CRIME CONSORTIUM J. Cerra

(NOVCC), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules, and declaring an emergency.

SUSPENSION **PASSAGE EMERGENCY** AYE: 9 AYE: AYE: 9 0 NAY: NAY: 0 NAY: 0 2 ABSENT: ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED **MOTION CARRIED** MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-50

Utilities: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO

D. Mitchell ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR B. Davis

THE ELYRIA PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY V. Stewart III

PROJECT.

B. Armstrong

Finance: P. Tollett B. Davis C. Schneider J. Cerra

Mitchell moved, Davis seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

SUSPENSION **PASSAGE** AYE: 9 AYE: NAY: 0 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by: **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-51** 

Finance: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF PERMIT P. Tollett FEES RELATED TO THE ELYRIA PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING B. Davis FACILITY PROJECT, LOCATED ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY C. Schneider IN THE VICINITY OF WEST RIVER ROAD S/INFIRMARY

J. Cerra

ROAD, ELYRIA, OHIO.

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

**SUSPENSION PASSAGE** 

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### 13. ORDINANCES-FIRST READINGS: Continued

AYE: 9 AYE: 9 NAY: 0 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024- 52** 

Utilities:
D. Mitchell
B. Davis
V. Stewart III
B. Armstrong
Finance:
P. Tollett

D. Mitchell
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER
INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
STROLLO ARCHITECTS, INC. FOR ENGINEERING AND
ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN OF A NEW
CENTRAL MAINTENANCE COMPLEX, AND DECLARING AN

B. Davis EMERGENCY.

C. Schneider J. Cerra

Mitchell moved, Davis seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules, and declaring an emergency.

**EMERGENCY** SUSPENSION PASSAGE AYE: 9 AYE: 9 AYE: 9 0 NAY: 0 NAY: 0 NAY: ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by: Utilities: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-

D. Mitchell AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ELYRIA CODIFIED ORDINANCE

B. Davis SECTION 937.20 ALTERNATIVE CONSUMPTION

V. Stewart III
B. Armstrong
Finance:
P. Tollett

SECTION 937.20 ALTERNATIVE CONSOMPTION

CALCULATION FOR SANITARY SEWER ACCOUNT HOLDERS
SERVED BY A WATER SYSTEM OTHER THAN THE ELYRIA
MUNICIPAL WATER SUPLY SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN

B. Davis EMERGENCY.

C. Schneider J. Cerra

### President Stewart declared 1st Reading has been held

Sponsored by: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-53

P. Tollett

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO

B. Davis

DISTRIBUTE OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS AS SPECIFIED,

C. Schneider AND TO CREATE ANY ACCOUNTS NECESSARY TO

J. Cerra FACILITATE SAME.

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### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS: Continued

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

SUSPENSION PASSAGE
AYE: 9 AYE: 9
NAY: 0 NAY: 0
ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Law Director Deery requested that council move to waive the reading of the fiscal officer's certificate for agenda items 11, 12, 13

Moved by Cerra, seconded by Schneider to waive the reading of the fiscal officer's certificate for agenda items 11, 12, 13

Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

Sponsored by: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-54

P. Tollett

B. Davis

C. Schneider

J. Cerra

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE
OF \$250,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE
OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING A TRUCK

FOR COLLECTION AND TRANSPORTATION OF SOLID WASTE AND APPURTENANT EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE

CITY SANITATION DEPARTMENT.

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

**SUSPENSION** 

Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

**PASSAGE** 

Roll Call.

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

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### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS: Continued

Sponsored by: Finance:	ORDINANCE NO. 2024-55
P. Tollett	AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE
B. Davis	OF \$220,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE
C. Schneider	OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING A PUMPER
J. Cerra	FIRE TRUCK AND APPURTENANT EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY
	THE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

SUSPENSION

Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

PASSAGE Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

Finance Pileski shared that notes are coming due that were previously issued, a partial rollover is being conducted on the first two ordinances that council read. The final ordinance will be the 5.2 million for the Chestnut Commons Connector Road that is being rolled over in its entirety until the tax increment financing payments are received and or special assessments to pay off the notes or long-term bonds. Three are rollovers, two are for lessor amounts. The city is paying down with existing cash on the fire and sanitation truck and rolling over the entire note on the Chestnut Commons Connector.

COMMISSION COMMIS	evol.
Sponsored by: Finance:	ORDINANCE NO. 2024-56
P. Tollett	AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE
B. Davis	OF \$5,200,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE
C. Schneider	ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A
J. Cerra	PORTION OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING THE
	CHESTNUT COMMONS CONNECTOR PROJECT INCLUDING
	CONSTRUCTING AND RECONSTRUCTING STREETS,
	CONSTRUCTING SIDEWALKS, WATER LINES AND RELATED
	WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES, SANITARY SEWERS AND
	RELATED SANITARY FACILITIES, STORM SEWERS AND
	RELATED DRAINAGE FACILITIES, INSTALLING LIGHTING,
	SIGNAGE AND TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION, AND
	RELOCATING EXISTING UTILITIES AS NECESSARY.

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### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS: Continued

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**SUSPENSION** 

Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

**PASSAGE** 

Roll Call:

AYE: Callahan, Cerra, Armstrong, Oswald, Mitchell, Stewart, Schneider, Davis, Lipian

NAYE: 0

ABSENT: Siwierka, Tollett

Sponsored by: Finance: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-57

P. Tollett
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-46,
B. Davis
KNOWN AS THE "2024 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS

C. Schneider ORDINANCE," TO CHANGE FUNDS IN VARIOUS ACCOUNTS.

J. Cerra

Davis moved, Schneider seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

SUSPENSION PASSAGE AYE: 8 AYE: 8

NAY: 1 (Lipian) NAY: 1 (Lipian)

ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by: Pinance: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-58

P. Tollett

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ELYRIA CODIFIED ORDINANCE

B. Davis SECTION 176.01 CREATED; MEMBERS; TERMS.

C. Schneider

J. Cerra

Rules

P. Tollett

V. Stewart III

T. Callahan

J. Cerra

Davis moved, Cerra seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules.

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### 13. ORDINANCES--FIRST READINGS: Continued

SUSPENSION PASSAGE AYE: 9 AYE: 9 0 NAY: 0 NAY: ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-59** 

Utilities: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE D. Mitchell B. Davis FOR BIDS, AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE 2024 V. Stewart III STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF ELYRIA, K. Oswald

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. B. Armstrong

Mitchell moved, Davis seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules, and declaring an emergency.

**SUSPENSION PASSAGE EMERGENCY** 8 AYE: 9 AYE: AYE:

0 NAY: NAY: 1 (Lipian) NAY: 0

ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

Sponsored by: ORDINANCE NO. 2024-60 Utilities:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER D. Mitchell INTO AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CTI B. Davis V. Stewart III ENGINEERS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION K. Oswald SERVICES FOR WASTE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL B. Armstrong (WWPC) PROJECTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mitchell moved, Davis seconded to pass this ordinance on its first reading under suspension of the rules, and declaring an emergency.

**PASSAGE EMERGENCY SUSPENSION** AYE: AYE: 9 AYE: 9 0 NAY: 0 NAY: 0 NAY: ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2 ABSENT: 2

**MOTION CARRIED** MOTION CARRIED MOTION CARRIED

### 14. ORDINANCES-SECOND READINGS: None

### 15. ORDINANCES--THIRD READING: None

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### 16. COMMITTEE CALLS:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Tues. 4/9/2024 Beginning at 6:00 P.M. All Referred Items Council Chambers w/Law Director, SSD, Engineer, Bldg. Insp.

### JOINT CD/FINANCE

Tues. 4/9/2024 Immediately following Community Development All Referred Items Council Chambers w/Law Director, SSD, Engineer, Bldg. Insp.

### **FINANCE**

Tues. 4/9/2024 Immediately following Joint All Referred Items Council Chambers w/Mayor, Auditor, Law Director, SSD, Engineer

### UTILITIES, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT

Wed. 4/3/2024 Combined with Finance All Referred Items Council Chambers w/SSD, Law Director, Engineer All

### 16. COMMITTEE CALLS:

COUNCIL/STRATEGIC PLANNING Mon. 4/15/2024 Immediately following Council Meeting All Referred Items

Council Chambers W/ Mayor, Safety Service Director, Auditor, Solicitor, Engineer

### 17. MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council member Lipian requested confirmation of the street ranking. Council member Mitchell confirmed if street rankings are received, a discussion will be held.

### **18. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mitchell moved, Cerra seconded to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Michael J. Lotko, III

Clerk of Council

Victor Stewart, I

President of Council

RLP/



# Participants in SurvivorsConnect have:

- Connected with others who have personally experienced gun violence;
- Made new and often lifelong friendships;
- Learned about grief and healing in a safe space;
- Enjoyed a meaningful and empowering support group curriculum led by peers;
- Received emotional support and mentorship;
- Found referrals to helpful outside resources.
- benefited from the curriculum offered by the SurvivorsConnect 'SurvivorsConnect allowed me to create life lasting bonds with support groups and I want other survivors to benefit as well." other survivors after my son was killed. I am grateful to have
  - Tisa Whack
- what I'd been through. This is what SurvivorsConnect offers." daughter died was meeting other survivors who understood "I know one of the most powerful moments for me after my
  - Fred Feibusch



SURVIVOR NETWORK

### text the word SURVIVOR to 644-33. Visit everytown.org/survivors or foin us.

The program does not serve as a replacement for professional emotional counseling or victim services.

By texting, you agree to receive communications to your phone number from Everytown organizations. Msg freq varies. STOP to quit. Msg & data rates may apply, everytown.org/terms

everytown.org/survivors or follow us @Everytown Visit us online at

## JOIN THE EVERYTOWN SURVIVOR NETWORK:

To join the Everytown Survivor Network, go to everytown.org/survivors or text the word "SURVIVOR" to 644-33.

Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, the grassroots arm of Everytown for Gun Safety, and will be given opportunities to participate in advocacy When you join the Everytown Survivor Network, you also join Moms and educational activities.

350,000 donors across the nation committed to gun violence prevention. Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America and Students Demand Gun Safety Support Fund. The Everytown Support Fund works together with Everytown for Gun Safety, and its grassroots volunteers networks, Action—and a network of nearly 6 million supporters and more than The Everytown Survivor Network is a program of the Everytown for



on Instagram and Twitter



## SurvivorsConnect

Many gun violence survivors have expressed that meeting and connecting with others who have been impacted by gun violence through the Everytown Survivor Network has been a positive and often healing experience. SurvivorsConnect is a peer support program organized by the Everytown Survivor Network that connects those directly impacted by gun violence with other survivors who offer emotional support, one-on-one peer mentorship, peer-led support groups throughout the year, and information and referrals to community resources.

SurvivorsConnect welcomes anyone who has personally experienced gun violence—whether you have witnessed an act of gun violence, been threatened or wounded with a gun, or had someone you know and cared for wounded or killed. This can include but is not limited to gun homicides, gun suicides, domestic violence involving a gun and unintentional shootings.

### What is a 'peer' program?

Peer-led means the support and mentorship is offered by others who have personally experienced gun violence. Through shared understanding, respect, and mutual empowerment, peer support volunteers help and support others who have been through similar lived experiences. Peers learn core competencies in order to provide traumainformed support to help others who have experienced gun violence navigate their own healing process.

## ABOUT THE EVERYTOWN SURVIVOR NETWORK

The Everytown Survivor Network is a nationwide community of survivors working together to end gun violence. The Survivor Network connects survivors to each other, amplifies the power of survivor voices, offers trauma-informed programs, provides information on direct services and supports survivors who choose to become advocates.

The Everytown Survivor Network welcomes anyone who has personally experienced gun violence—whether you have witnessed an act of gun violence, been threatened or wounded with a gun, or had someone you know and cared for wounded or killed. This can include but is not limited to gun homicides, gun suicides, domestic violence involving a gun and unintentional snootings.

People may use different words to describe living through gun violence: Some may use "victim," others may use "survivor." Some use neither. Knowing that each person experiences trauma and healing differently, we use the word "survivor" to acknowledge pain and perseverance—and to recognize the unacceptable daily consequences of gun violence that are the reality for too many Americans.

# WHAT DOES THE EVERYTOWN SURVIVOR NETWORK OFFER?

Connection and support: Through the SurvivorsConnect peer connection program and local and national events, survivors can find emotional support and community. The Network also provides trauma-informed programs and trainings, and information on mental health resources that can help with trauma and grief.

Raising awareness: Survivors are leaders in educating the public and policymakers about the realities of gun violence. Survivors speak out in many different ways, including sharing stories in their communities, on the Moments That Survive digital wall (Moments ThatSurvive.org) and participating in the Everytown Survivor Network Fellowship program to raise awareness about the impact of gun violence.

Advocating for safer communities: Many survivors, if and when they feel ready, choose to participate in local, state and national gun violence prevention campaigns to keep our communities safe in partnership with Moms Demand Action chapters and Students Demand Action chapters across the country.

### SURVIVORS NETWORK OF LORAIN COUNTY

Join us for a semi-monthly peer meeting of gun violence survivors who will share their experiences & stories of the continued impact of gun violence on their lives & their friends/families.



First United
Methodist
Church
312 Third
Street, Elyria

(Enter on Holly Lane)

1st & 3rd Sunday of each month

4:00pm-5:30pm

-LEADS-

Kristin Thacker 440.225.2651

Lori Flanigan 440.581.3563

Laura Irvin 214-415-4761

-ON SITE THERAPIST-

Tennille Power

\*Refreshments will be provided \*

\*For more info, contact one of our leads\*

!!HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!